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QUICK TO RESPOND.

There is no country quicker to respond to the needs of distress in any part of the world than this. The catastrophes which distress nations are met with a liberality and despatch which is second to no nation of modern times by our representatives and men of wealth. Already the Red Cross society has received a check from Amasa Bacon to establish food depots and repatriate the distressed of whatever race or nation, may have been suddenly rendered homeless and brought to want, in the one striking event which some time ago may cease and peace shall where the power of the love of God is preached and the sun shines.

Most of the damage done in Paris is repairable. The loss is principally a money loss. In the city of Paris itself there have been few losses of life, and the suffering will come from want of food and necessities. The need of work, American aid will be one of the sustaining factors until the water subsides and the people begin to return to their usual occupations. It is an excited privilege to be able to help those who cannot help themselves.

NEXT TO ARTHUR.

The great American public has been informed from Washington that as a president in social matters, Taft ranks next to President Arthur. As the Bulletin remembers Chester A. Arthur, he was first in gastronomy and first in the cemetery; and these are the first two things that are celebrated. It is really a questionable compliment to be classed second to a famous gourmand who, because of his social excesses, shortened his life. It may be said that social life and the American banquet cannot impair Taft's health or break him down; but so many Americans of genius and ability have been ruined by indulgence along these lines will undermine his health and so his destruction. The great Americans have no round special mention along such lines, and it will be something new if President Taft can continue to dine with the high rollers and at the same time distinguish himself for his independence of character and his firmness in public matters which directly affect the interests of the people. Instead of next to Arthur in gastronomy, we like to think of Taft as the equal of Roosevelt in every good quality. This is what the people expect Taft will be when his career is ended, and his achievements are counted up.

THE PRODUCT OF YOUTHFUL IDLENESS.

The Worcester Telegram is of the opinion that communal tolerance of idleness just breeds the gangs of young toughs who infest the cities of New England. The Telegram says that the range of "forty thieves," bull-benders, and so on, are the products of youthful idleness in Worcester. There is not a working youth in the entire bunch. They are free to roam the streets day and night, boys and girls together, and they have no more respect for law and order than any other bunch. They are idle days and nights when there is so much of a flood of energy in their minds and bodies that they throw away all ideas of rational conduct and proceed to make Rome howl. The more tough they can appear the more they like the fun. They fill the lunch carts at all hours of night, paying for food with small bits of cash they steal from their indulgent parents or others. The best girls and boys are together, in pairs and in groups, and they are dead-end sports in their own estimation. They are in all the places where there is license for their presence, and they ruin the town for the time being. Their language is peculiar to their calling, and rings fairly true to the Bowery lingo of the larger cities. They dress well after a fashion of their own, and have plenty of the soft snags of life. They are fresher than new-mown hay, and fear nothing.

Those who know their city realize how true a picture this is of boys and girls who are growing up in idleness and wilfulness and who are humored more than they are trained at home, who care little for the police because of their respectable connections and the protection which they feel certain is theirs as a birthright, for that is their only claim to tolerance by the authorities. The Telegram is right when it says:

"It is the habit to be too easy with youth who are growing up in crime, and they are made worse by the sentimental attempts to 'give the poor wretches a chance.' They take all the chances, and grow themselves up being smart enough to fool the police and the judges of courts as well as the people who have to endure their freshness."

Those who think that there is nothing sensational in the horticultural world do not come in touch with the seed catalogues and are getting to be more sensational.

Twelve Canadian towns advanced from 50,000 population to over 100,000 since 1901, and in the past three years the building operations have advanced \$41,000,000.

The man who has not a million can usually tell just how he could spend it, while he who has the treasure doesn't feel certain about the best way to invest it.

A Wisconsin woman wants a divorce because her sleep-walking husband is near in his nocturnal wanderings. She should give him cold shower baths.

There appears to be no doubt that most states need sample farms set up in their midst, but a sample legislature is the one thing that would suit the people.

AROUSING CIVIC INTEREST.

The board of trade of Springfield, Mass., has entered upon the development of a side-line of endeavor which appears to be a commendable way of arousing among the pupils of the high school an interest in communal matters. The board has opened a prize essay contest open to the pupils of the two upper classes in each high school. The board is to give essays of \$20 and \$10 for the best essays. The subjects chosen are:

"The duty of the high school graduate to the community."
"Is it right or desirable for the United States to continue its present policy of huge expenditures for naval armaments?"

"What would be the advantages of the removal of the railroad tracks from the waterfront and the improvement of that section of the city?"

"War—its effects upon commerce, finances and the human family."
"What we owe to Abraham Lincoln."

"The effect upon themselves and upon society of the enlarged activity of women."
This looks like a wise movement. There is nothing like interesting the student class in public affairs early, and it may prove to be a much more fertile field for practical ideas than was expected and eventually present practical results which will be worth more than all the work cost. The country of the world is a whole, and that city will not be the loser by this venture. It is a movement which is likely to be repeated elsewhere simply because it deserves to be.

FIGHTING IT OVER.

The state of Connecticut will not and cannot support the Meriden Grand Army. The loss is a protest against the Lee statue, going so far as to demand its removal. The issue, as a matter of fact, is probably closed for the present. Whatever action congress will take has practically been decided upon. That body has heard the expression of the country as a whole, and feels, with good reason, that the majority sentiment is against the reopening of the sectional feeling. The Meriden protest is only a weak addition to a weak minority. —New Haven Register.

It is a matter of deep regret that such an outspoken attitude as that taken in Meriden and also in Hartford should have been assumed by the Grand Army veterans, for it cannot have other than a lamentable effect not only among their own men but throughout whatever sections of the south their voice may be heard. To-day, sentiment of this sort travels rapidly, and this there is still unburied, and a little bitter feeling over this feud cannot be denied. In fact, if the sting still remains in the north, one may be sure the fires of the south are not all out. —Ansonia Sentinel.

It makes little difference what congress does in this matter just now. There is no doubt that the Virginia is guilty of offence and everlasting right. There is no objection made to the statue of Gen. Robert E. Lee as a great and deserving Virginian, but there is objection to his being arrayed as a confederate general. The uniform is as unworthy of honor or perpetuation in a neutral place of merit as the stars and stripes of the Virginia is the offender, and even though it be bad taste and an error of judgment, which is not claimed, the men who engineered the thing are the stirrers of strife. The Hall of Fame is rapidly being made a "Hall of Horrors" and some of our radical citizens are calling for its abolishment. Considering the possibilities which are forebodingly shadowed the honor of it is more imaginary than real.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The weather of southern California is like the weather elsewhere—not exactly what was expected.

There are people who are quite certain that Haley's comet is largely responsible for the Paris flood.

Some people see red and some see blue after a banquet, and a cocktail or two. This is without local value.

The man who eats the egg can tell whether the egg is fresh, as surely as the one who took it from under the hen.

A Portland, Ore., citizen has just taken a quarter of a million dollars for a quarter of a million dollars for a quarter of a million dollars.

Happy thought for today: The woman whose face is her fortune cannot stop the ripples of time from showing thereon.

The aeroplane tournament at Los Angeles paid. The receipts were over \$137,000 and the promoters pocketed a handsome sum.

John L. Sullivan still has courage enough to assume the role of a bridegroom, but think of the bride who can face such a trial as that.

The men who sense the advantage of having the barrel in police are likely to be seeking office soon in this state. The prospects are golden.

The Ballinger inquiry committee is made up of the greatest lawyers in both houses. The best foresters would be more likely to see the points.

President Taft is regarded as being equal to any situation that can be sprung upon him by designing politicians. He has capacity enough, then.

There are floods and floods, but the flood this would be refreshing, says a voice from the west, is a flood of repentance from the Illinois legislature.

Who He Was.

During his visit to New York, Thackeray was very much attracted by the beauty and brilliancy of a Miss B., and in accordance with the custom, made a morning call, when she did not expect anyone. Hearing some one talking in the lower hall, she leaned over the banisters and asked the servant who it was. "It's Mr. Thackeray, ma'am." "Oh, dear," Thackeray replied Miss B., "No," said Thackeray, who could not but hear the remark. "It's not Mr. Thackeray," Thackeray said, "but Mr. Makepeace Thackeray." And with a laugh Miss B. came down.

Things to Be Studied.

It is pleasant to note that President Taft heard Tetrazzini in "Lucia di Lammermoor" the other night. Every president ought to study the comedies of those who have learned how to take a high note in a mad scene. —Kansas City Star.

Woman in Life and in the Kitchen

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

Never sit a room without first covering the patient.

The moment you are instinctively prompted to rub your eyes that moment stop using them.

Do not cut the hair frequently, only remove the tips once in six weeks; rather more frequently when the hair shows a tendency to split.

Never under any circumstances tell a friend that he is dangerously ill. Use the word "seriously" if it is absolutely necessary that he should be warned of his condition.

The small particles of dry white scurf or dandruff which appear from time to time in the hair are merely portions of the worn-out scurf skin of the scalp and need occasion no concern. They should not, however, be allowed to accumulate, but should be carefully removed by brushing.

If the little ones are obliged to wear glasses so that they are taken off two or three times a day and polished. And operation soon accumulates the glasses become dim and the eyes get strained trying to look through them in this condition. If the glasses look greasy and will not polish, rub them with a little methylated spirit and then polish them with a chamomile leather.

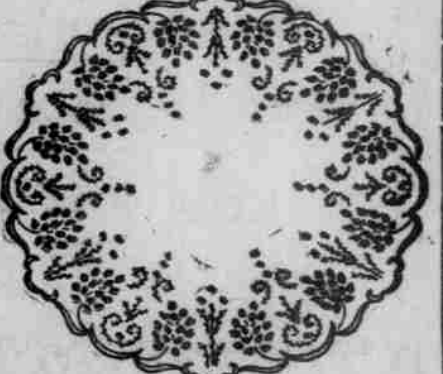
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DICTATES OF FASHION.

Velvet sashes continue in favor for the dance gown draperies.

Pale yellow appears everywhere, in wraps, gowns and hats.

Nevertheless, the best of the new evening gowns are of crepe meteor.

Louis XV bowknots of velvet, silver, crepe de chene or any desired material appear on fancy dancing frocks.

One phase of the overskirt shows it of figured or braided material, otherwise trimmed fabric worn over a plain skirt.

For evening wear satin of more or less luster are holding on tenaciously and may go through the winter as a favorite material.

All silk goods of the "cashmere" finish class are in excellent demand for the voluminous wraps and evening coats now in the height of fashion.

A single large bow of velvet made with three-quarter material was used to adorn the side of a velvet toque. The velvet was on the bias and the bow was made with two loops without end and with a large loop center.

The close fitting cap that is the rage in Paris is a little model, designed more or less remotely after the pattern of the headgear worn by the very practical attire upon many of the vogues of today.

HOUSEWIFE SUGGESTIONS.

Underwear brought in a little damp from the line, folded carefully and put near the stove to dry, will need no ironing.

A new idea is to serve a marshmallow in a cup of chocolate. It softens and the chocolate gives a dainty flavor to the chocolate.

Wet a towel in cold water and cover all kinds of roasted meats, turkey and chicken to prevent drying. They will retain the flavor and keep moist a long time.

If you are doing your own washing and are in a hurry to iron immediately after the clothes are dry, sprinkle with warm water and in ten minutes they are ready to be ironed.

If hog fat be spilled on the floor, pour out the cold water at once. This will cause it to set and prevent its soaking into the boards or tiles. When set it can be easily removed with a knife.

Comforts and quilts should be dried in a good stiff breeze, so that they may be as light and fluffy as when new.

If fish is lightly rolled in flour after having been well dried with a clean cloth it will be less likely to break up with cooking.

It is a new wrinkle to pass marshmallows with hot chocolate. When the marshmallows are dissolved a pleasant flavor is given to the chocolate.

If when using tapers for flavoring you need only half a one, put the other half on a plate and cover with a glass tumbler. This will keep the tapers from becoming stale.

prevents it from drying up or getting moldy.

The improved pie pan has a blade fastened to the center which revolves around the bottom of the dish beneath the pie crust when the end protruding from the side of the dish is moved.

ZINC TABLE.

The housekeeper who has once known the convenience of a zinc table will never again be without one, even if she must improvise it.

Such tables can be bought at comparatively small cost. Some of them have an underself, also zinc covered, where hot pans or dishes can be stood. Any wooden kitchen table with strong legs can be covered by a thicker with a sheet of zinc for about \$2. The metal fits the top of the table and is turned up all around in an inch-high ledge.

Such a table saves many times its cost in preventing breaking, keeping water from "slopping" on the floor and being easily cleaned.

PRETTY BEDROOM.

The true test of a successful room is that it is first restful and always comfortable. The bedroom is the place where one particularly attractive bedroom, which will serve to show how one goes about the coloring of a room, is done in pale green and heliotrope of a lighter shade. Plain papering of dainty green, bordered by sprays of heliotrope, adorns the wall, while the ceiling appears in an ivory tint. The birdseye maple furniture and woodwork correspond.

On the antique dresser a coffee-colored set of drawers is placed. A row of a bed of heliotrope satin. Three rows of binding, through which green satin ribbon, one-third of an inch wide, has been run, finish the scarf, while the pin-cushion of green with a darning stool, bordered by sprays of heliotrope, set shows graceful sprays of delicate heliotrope leaves and flowers.

Under a small maple desk is a pretty eucalyptus basket of straw, with a green denim, well stretched, entirely covers the bottom and sides of the desk. The matting is in buff and green.

The windows are curtained in soft green and heliotrope, with a green and green. Lightweight cream cretonne is used for the coverings for the bed and blotter, and bunches of heliotrope and bits of green.

Two Rooms in One.

One large room is preferable to two small ones and a good arrangement for making the two rooms into one is to have the wall removed between the two and erect a half wall one foot thick, with pillars marking the dividing line. The pillars are converted into attractive book shelves. Pains, ferns and other flowers when arranged upon the shelf top give an added taste and grace to the room. This is one of the latest methods of remodeling rooms in old houses and all the latest ideas in interior decoration are being put into practice.

The idea is to have all the interior woodwork finished with oil. Oil-finished furniture is bright, but work in the house should have a dull, rich appearance.

Of Craft Cloth.

The portier may be mere play and altogether possible to the veriest amateur if some simple idea be carried out. Make it of arts and craft cloth in a soft, natural tone, and after it is hemmed with silk or rayon, it will show of simple trees one above another down the length of the hanging along one of its edges.

Not in elaborate embroidery, but in the coarsest of cross stitching done in worsted yarn, and in a combination of dusky green and blue shades, each so dull as to melt into one another, and in a plain, but work in the house should have a dull, rich appearance.

Modish Gloves.

Instead of wearing pure white gloves in the afternoon the fashionable woman is inclining toward a delicate shade of pale apricot and tan colorings.

She is choosing for motor wear the "chevrolet" of elbow length, with a strap at the wrist to pull the leather together on fancy dancing frocks.

Women find it hard to approve of the sharp division between long sleeves and short gloves, and are wearing with afternoon toilets longer shapes, which pass in wrinkled fullness over the cuffs.

Gloves of two button length are worn with coat suits, and are made of a large and are made of mother of pearl. For driving, mocha gloves in pale colorings, which strange to say, wear much better than the dark ones, are popular.

Of course, the evening gloves are virtually the same. Long white gloves, with occasionally a decoration to carry out the scheme of the gown, are worn.

By these gloves you will know the well dressed woman.

Old Velvet.

Do not throw away a piece of velvet, no matter how crumpled or matted.

Such a piece of velvet should be thoroughly washed with good pure soap of some kind and allowed to dry partly after rinsing. Then, with a hot iron, press on both sides until perfectly dry.

In conclusion, the iron may be passed backward and forward with a polishing motion on the right side and the result is "pamper" velvet.

Cut up into diamonds, circles and stripes, either applied plain or ornamented with French knots, these odds and ends will be found useful possessions.

NEEDLEWORK NOTES.

Japan floss is the finest embroidery silk made.

The covering of embroidery hoop rings should be renewed frequently.

Badly torn places in lace may frequently be mended with a little net and the result is exceptionally good.

A dainty gift for a schoolgirl is a white satin ribbon snood on which were embroidered stars and stripes.

A pair of tweezers is a handy accessory of the work basket and is very useful in pulling out little ends of baste threads.

The busy housewife who dreads darning her men's socks may find relief in rubbed on the heels of stockings reduces friction and saves many a jagged hole.

Embroidery can be cleaned by rubbing the surface with a piece of soap and a dry cloth.

If you can work letters neither with hoop nor without it, compromise on a piece of fine cloth sewed under the letters. Baste outside the portion to be worked, otherwise the letters will be lost.

HOME GARMENT MAKING.

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The pattern is in four sizes—2 to 8 years. For a child 4 years the garments require 4 1/2 yards of material 27 inches wide or 3 1/2 yards 35 inches wide, with 1 1/2 yards of elastic to trim.

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Baked Indian Pudding. Two quarts unskimmed milk, two eggs, one cup raisins, small cup Indian meal, large cup sugar, nutmeg to taste. Boil a quart of milk, salt it and sift in meal; boil ten minutes, remove from the fire and add the rest of the milk; when warm add the beaten eggs, sugar and raisins; pour into the pudding dish, which has been heated, and add a lump of butter. Bake three hours. When nicely browned spread butter on the top, and sit white sugar over it. Serve hot.

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